

MINUTES
WOODSTOCK CITY COUNCIL
March 1, 2016
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Woodstock City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Mark Saladin on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Saladin explained the consent calendar process and invited public participation.

A roll call was taken.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Hart, RB Thompson, Maureen Larson, Mark Saladin, and Joseph Starzynski

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Turner and Mayor Brian Sager

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Roscoe Stelford, Finance Director Paul Christensen, Economic Development Director Garrett Anderson, Public Works Director Jeff Van Landuyt, and Building and Zoning Director Joe Napolitano.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Cindy Smiley

FLOOR DISCUSSION

Public Comments

Craig Krandel, 15016 West South Street, Woodstock, wished to acknowledge retiring Planning and Zoning Administrator Jim Kastner has done during his many years of service to the community. Mr. Krandel noted he has had the honor of working with Mr. Kastner for many years, stating he has been a great ambassador for the City of Woodstock. He noted his associate, Tom Zanck, also wished to recognize Mr. Kastner. Mr. Krandel stated Mr. Kastner was always good at finding solutions and was very helpful. He stated he has many times cited Mr. Kastner as an example throughout the County.

M. Saladin also stated it was a pleasure working with Mr. Kastner throughout the years and noted there is a retirement reception in his honor tomorrow from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Council Comments

Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Saladin noted the recent article in the Northwest Herald regarding the Old Firehouse Assistance Center. He stated this is a wonderful example of people serving people in need, noting the City is making the space available at no cost and also recognized the many volunteers, led by Pastor Tom Rogers, who are making this facility possible.

Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Saladin then noted the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce recently held its 71st Annual Dinner, stating this is a new step for the Chamber, which is now located in City Hall. He stated the Chamber is looking forward to a rebirth, and both the City and the Chamber are excited about the future.

J. Starzynski informed those present about the recent “drive-down” to Springfield, which he and City Manager Stelford attended along with other representatives of the McHenry County Council of Governments. He briefly described the meetings that were held with legislators centered on the infrastructure needs in McHenry County, which are needed to increase commerce. R. Stelford reiterated the importance of these meetings, which send a message to our legislators to get things done so business can move forward.

Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Saladin welcomed Scout Andrew Steffes who is in attendance as part of the work for his Community Badge.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by M. Larson, second by J. Starzynski, to approve Consent Agenda items A through C.

There were no comments or questions from the Council or the Public concerning these items.

A roll call vote was taken on the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

February 16, 2016 Regular Meeting

B. WARRANTS: 3702 3703

C. MINUTES AND REPORTS:

Opera House Report Monthly – January 2016

Police Department Monthly Report – January 2016

Police Pension Board Minutes – October 27, 2015

Transportation Commission Minutes – November 18, 2015

Transportation Commission Minutes – December 9, 2015

Transportation Commission Minutes – January 20, 2016

Historic Preservation Commission Minutes – January 25, 2016

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes – February 9, 2016

Cultural & Social Awareness/Environmental Commission Joint Meeting Minutes –
February 11, 2016

Plan Commission Minutes – February 25, 2016

Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, and Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Saladin. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: M. Turner and Mayor Sager. Motion carried.

D. MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 63

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Quarterly Financial Reports – Transmittal of the Third Quarter Financial Reports for the City of Woodstock:

a) Revenues & Expenditures Report

b) Investment Report

R. Stelford stated the reports provide detailed information concerning the City's current financial position. He noted revenues are ahead of where they should be due to property tax calculations and expenditures are where they should be and are still below where they were in previous years. He noted the City is still down a number of positions in light of the State's current condition and likely will remain so until a determination has been made concerning LGDF.

P. Christensen noted the City is in a good position, which will be reflected in the budget. He stated there will be surplus, which will move over to the CIP putting the City in a better position to fund

capital projects.

M. Larson stated she appreciates the conservative approach taken by the Administration in almost every category.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no items added or removed from the Tentative Future Agendas.

ADJOURN

Motion by RB Thompson, second by J. Starzynski, to adjourn this meeting of the Woodstock City Council to the next regularly-scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, and Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Saladin. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: M. Turner and Mayor Sager. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Smiley
City Clerk